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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

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[0068] The processes of encryption and decryption specified herein may be performed by software, i.e. program instructions executed in a processor core with data tables such as the S-boxes (substitution boxes) that are used in DES. Or the encryption and decryption may be performed in dedicated crypto hardware in the processor chips, or a combination of hardware and software in the processor chips. Encryption and decryption processes may be symmetric (for example DEC) or non-symmetric (for example RSA) or a combination thereof.